

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DIVISION[645]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 154C.4, the Board of Social Work hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 280, “Licensure of Social Workers,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The proposed amendment removes the requirement for the Board to send renewal notices by regular mail to licensees.

Any interested person may make written comments on the proposed amendment no later than October 17, 2011, addressed to Tony Alden, Professional Licensure Division, Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075; E-mail tony.alden@idph.iowa.gov.

A public hearing will be held on October 17, 2011, from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Conference Room, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa, at which time persons may present their views either orally or in writing. At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the proposed amendment.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 21, 147, 154C and 272C.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend subrule 280.9(1) as follows:

280.9(1) The biennial license renewal period for a license to practice social work shall begin on January 1 of odd-numbered years and end on December 31 of the next even-numbered year. Every licensee shall renew on a biennial basis. ~~The board shall send a renewal notice by regular mail to each licensee at the address on record at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the license.~~ The licensee is responsible for renewing the license prior to its expiration. Failure of the licensee to receive the notice does not relieve the licensee of the responsibility for renewing the license.